

Sermon Notes

April 20, 2025

Journey of Stones – Easter Sunday

The Stone Rolled Away

John 20:1-18

1. Welcome to Lent – the 40 Days of Preparation for Easter!
2. Week #1 – Covenant – Exodus 32:7-20 – I will be your God if you will be my people.
3. Week #2 – Rejection – Mark 12:1-11 – give away the rejection that hurts your heart.
4. Week #3 – Sticks and Stones – James 3:1-12, John 8:1-12. Words CAN and DO hurt.
5. Week #4 – Hearts of Stone – Luke 11:37-44 – Do you know who I am? Where do I have a Heart of Stone?
6. Week #5 – Upon this Rock – Matthew 16:13-20 – Who YOU say that I am?
7. Week #6 – Crying Stones – Luke 19:29-40 – What ways can we set aside our motives and embrace Jesus' motives?
8. Maundy Thursday – Stones to Bread – Matthew 4:1-11: Grace – God's love, freely given.
 - a. Communion transforms our stones into bread.
9. Easter Sunday – John 20:1-18
 - a. Doom Scrolling!
 - i. Mary Magdalene goes to the tomb expecting bad news.
 - ii. What she found was the stone rolled away.